

641—154.2 (87GA, HF524) Health care practitioner certification—duties.

154.2(1) Prior to a patient's submission of an application for a medical cannabidiol registration card pursuant to this rule, a health care practitioner shall do all of the following:

a. Determine, in the health care practitioner's medical judgment, whether the patient whom the health care practitioner has examined and treated suffers from a debilitating medical condition that qualifies for the use of medical cannabidiol as defined by this chapter, and if so determined, provide the patient with a written certification of that diagnosis by completing the health care practitioner section of the application form provided for this purpose on the department's Web site (www.idph.iowa.gov).

b. Provide explanatory information to the patient as provided on the department's Web site (www.idph.iowa.gov) about the therapeutic use of medical cannabidiol and the possible risks, benefits, and side effects of the proposed treatment.

154.2(2) Subsequently, the health care practitioner shall do the following:

a. Determine, on an annual basis, if the patient continues to suffer from a debilitating medical condition and, if so, issue the patient a new certification of that diagnosis.

b. Otherwise comply with all requirements in this chapter and requests from the department for more information.

154.2(3) A health care practitioner may provide, but has no duty to provide, a written certification pursuant to this rule.

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